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Re: DePue/New Jersey Zinc/Mobil Chemical Superfund Site
Village of DePue, Bureau County, Illinois
Response to General Notice Letter

Dear Ms. Hicks and Ms. Rolfes:

Exxon Mobil Corporation received your certified letter dated October 31, 2019, providing notice that US EPA Region 5 intends to conduct actions at the DePue Site in the future unless it is able to determine that the actions will be performed by a responsible party or parties. We understand this letter to inform ExxonMobil that US EPA is assuming the lead agency role for the DePue Site in place of the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency.

ExxonMobil welcomes the involvement of US EPA at the DePue Site. We have participated in conducting investigations and response actions at the Site under the IEPA's direction and oversight since 1995, and have collaborated with regulators and the other potentially responsible party to develop, and fully comply with the terms of, the existing Interim Consent Order. Due to the long and involved history of our efforts at the Site, we would appreciate an opportunity to meet and share with you the details of both our past efforts and our current work to complete the remediation process at the Site. We also look forward to working with US EPA to complete the RD/RA process.

Nola Hicks, Associate Regional Counsel
Sarah Rolfes, Remedial Project Manager
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As you requested, we are writing to affirm that ExxonMobil is willing to enter into negotiations with US EPA regarding an appropriate administrative consent order for performing certain response activities at the Site. As part of the negotiations with US EPA, we would appreciate an opportunity to discuss in-depth each action item referenced in your letter, as well as formulate the next steps in the process. Should EPA's most urgent concern for such discussions and planning relate to Operable Unit 4 at the Site ("OU4"), we respectfully note that ExxonMobil is not a participant in OU4.

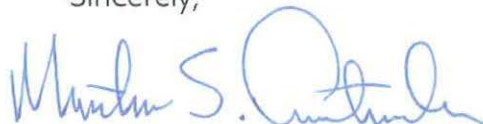
We request that you maintain the following contacts for ExxonMobil regarding this Site:

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